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REPLY

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on September 22, 2004, applicant submits the following reply with amendment and remarks, petition for a 3-month extension of time to respond and the authorization to charge the fee. Favorable reconsideration of the elected claims is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks: